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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFO -- HUNTING IN MOZAMBIQUE

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- 1. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OFFICIALS TOLD EMBOFF THAT NO DETAILS HAVE BEEN DECIDED CONCERNING HUNTING IN MOZAMBIQUE, BUT REGULATIONS WILL BE PUBLISHED "SOON". THUS, EMBASSY CANNOT YET ANSWER QUESTIONS RAISED IN REF (A).
- 2. MOST LIKELY SITE FOR HUNTING WILL BE AREA NORTH OF GORONGOSA GAME RESERVE, SOFALA PROVINCE, WHERE PRE-INDEPENDENCE HUNTING LODGES ARE BEING REHABILITATED. WILDLIFE OFFICIALS BE-LIEVED THAT ROAD ACCESS FROM MALAWI WOULD BE POSSIBLE AND THAT ACCOMODATIONS, GUIDES AND LICENSES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE SITE.
- 3. OFFICIALS SPECULATED THAT ONLY HUNTING OF SMALL ANIMALS (SUCH AS IMPALA) WOULD BE PERMITTED, AND THAT ALL SPORT HUNTING MIGHT BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT YEAR. THEY SAID TIMING OF LEGALIZATION WAS MAINLY AIMED AT REGULATING POACHING. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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